IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE, ANDHRA PRADESH
AT HYDERABAD

(Special Original Jurisdiction)

WEDNESDAY, THE SIXTH DAY OF OCTOBER
TWO THOUSAND AND FOUR

PRESENT

THE HON'BLE DR JUSTICE G.YETHIRAJULU

WRIT PETITION NO : 18094 of 2004

Between:

B.Venkateswara Reddy, S/o.B.Venkata Reddy,
H.No.40-814-7B, Srinivasa Nagar, Kurnool-518004.

... PETITIONER

AND

1. The Chairman & Presiding officer, Industrial Tribunal cum Labour Court, Visakhapatnam.
2. The Manager, Express Publicatons (Madurai) Ltd., 30-21-40, Madhavadhara, Visakhapatnam.
3. The Regional Manager, Express Publications (Madurai) ltd., plot no.2, D.No.6-3-1186, Begumpet, Hyderabad.
4. Express Publications (Madurai)Ltd., rep.by its Chairman & Managing Director, Sri Manoj Kumar Santhalia, Mount Road, Chennai-600002.

...RESPONDENTS

Petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the Affidavit filed herein the High Court will be pleased to issue writ order or direction more particularly one in the nature of writ of mandamus, directing the 1st respondent herein to dispose off the I.D.No.94/2004 pending before him and to grant such other relief or reliefs as this Hon'ble court deems fit and proper in the circumstances of the case.

Counsel for the Petitioner: Mr.E. MALLIKARJUNA

Counsel for the Respondent No.1: GP FOR LABOUR

Counsel for Respondent Nos.2 to 4: --

The Court at the admission stage made the following:

Oral Order:

The petitioner worked as a news reporter under the second respondent publications. He was terminated from service on 31-12-1994. He filed I.D.No.35 of 2002 before the Additional Industrial Tribunal-cum-Labour Court, Hyderabad challenging the termination orders. The tribunal passed an order on 2-4-2004 observing that it has no jurisdiction to entertain the dispute and accordingly directed him to raise the dispute before the appropriate tribunal. The petitioner accordingly filed I.D.No.94 of 2004 before the first respondent tribunal. The petitioner now seeks a direction to the first respondent tribunal to dispose of the matter at an early date.

The dispute relates to the year 1994, though the I.D. registered is of the year 2004. The petitioner therefore seeks a direction to the first respondent to give priority to the case and to dispose of the same expeditiously.

Having regard to the submissions made by the petitioner, the first respondent is directed to give priority to I.D.No.94 of 2004 and dispose of the same at the earliest but not later than six months from the date of this order, after giving opportunity to both parties. The writ petition is accordingly disposed of.

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(Dr.G. Yethirajulu, J)

06th October 2004

Note:

Issue C.C. in three days.

(By order)

svs

ASSISTANT REGISTRAR

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To

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4. The Chairman & Managing Director, Express Publications (Madurai) Ltd., Mount Road, Chennai – 600 002.
5. The Government Pleader for Labour, High Court of A.P., Hyderabad (OUT)
6. 2 CD copies.